IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN

ALEXUS MURPHY, MARKITTA WITHCER, and DIANE HAINES, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,

Case No. 22-cv-12159

Hon. David M. Lawson Mag. Anthony P. Patti

Plaintiffs,

v.

ACTIVE INTEREST MEDIA, INC., Defendant.

PLAINTIFFS' CORRECTED MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE A NOTICE OF SUPPLEMENTAL AUTHORITY

Plaintiffs, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated, files this Corrected Motion for Leave to File a Notice of Supplemental Authority in support of Plaintiffs' Opposition (ECF No. 26) to Defendant's Motion to Dismiss (ECF No. 24):

- 1. On March 3, 2023, Magistrate Judge Kimberly G. Altman issued a Report and Recommendation to Deny Defendant's Motion to Dismiss and Motion to Certify Question in *Briscoe v. NTVB Media Inc.*, Case No. 4:22-cv-10352, ECF No. 41 (E.D. Mich. Mar. 3, 2023). Case Attached as 1-A.
- 2. In *Briscoe*, Magistrate Judge Altman rejected many of the same arguments raised by the Defendant in its pending Motion to Dismiss. Specifically:
- a. Magistrate Judge Altman expressly declined to follow *Nashel v*. *New York Times*, 2022 WL 6775657 (E.D. Mich. Oct. 11, 2022) and *Wheaton v*. *Apple Inc.*, 2019 WL 5536214 (N.D. Cal. Oct. 25, 2019), and instead held that *Horton v. GameStop Corp.*, 380 F. Supp. 3d 679 (W.D. Mich. 2018) and *Piper v*. *Talbots, Inc.*, 507 F. Supp. 3d 339 (D. Mass. 2020) were "more persuasive." *Briscoe* at PageID.2693-2698. Accordingly, Magistrate Judge Altman held that the operative complaint in *Briscoe* (which is nearly identical to the operative complaint in this case) stated a claim for relief under the PPPA. *See id.* at PageID.2698.
- b. Magistrate Judge Altman held that PPPA claims are governed by the six-year statute of limitations in M.C.L. § 5813. *See id.* at PageID.2708-2714.

Magistrate Judge Altman also held that certifying the statute of limitations question to the Michigan Supreme Court was inappropriate under the circumstances. *Id.* at PageID.2716-2718.

- c. Magistrate Judge Altman held that Michigan Executive Order 2020-58 and Michigan Supreme Court Administrative Order 2020-3 operate to toll the statute of limitations in the matter for 101 days. *Id.* at PageID.2715-16 (citing *Carter v. DTN Mgmt. Co.*, -- N.W.2d --, No. 360772, 2023 WL 439760, at *1 (Mich. Ct. App. Jan. 26, 2023).
- 3. The proposed Notice of Supplemental Authority is attached hereto as Exhibit 1.
- 4. On March 3, 2023, counsel for Plaintiffs contacted counsel for Defendant regarding concurrence in this motion. On March 6, 2023, counsel for Defendant provided its position regarding the Supplemental Authority at issue here. Following the filing of the original Motion for Leave to File a Notice of Supplemental Authority here, ECF No. 27, counsel for Defendant sent follow up correspondence indicating that Defendant, in fact, opposes the filing of this Motion—as such, counsel for Plaintiffs' file this Corrected Motion to make Defendant's position clear to the Court.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs requests that the Court grant Plaintiffs' Corrected Motion for leave to file the attached Notice of Supplemental Authority.

Dated: March 6, 2023 Respectfully submitted,

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BRIEF IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFFS' CORRECTED MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE A NOTICE OF SUPPLEMENTAL AUTHORITY

STATEMENT OF ISSUE PRESENTED

1. Whether Plaintiffs should be granted leave to file a Notice of Supplemental Authority in support of Plaintiffs' Opposition (ECF No. 26) to Defendant's Motion and Brief to Dismiss (ECF No. 24)

Plaintiffs Answer: Yes.

MOST CONTROLLING AUTHORITY

• *Briscoe v. NTVB Media Inc.*, Case No. 4:22-cv-10352, ECF No. 41 (E.D. Mich. Mar. 3, 2023)

For the reasons set forth in the above Corrected Motion, Plaintiffs, by and through the undersigned attorneys, request that the Court grant Plaintiffs' Corrected Motion for Leave to File a Notice of Supplemental Authority in support of Plaintiffs' Opposition (ECF No. 26) to Defendant's Motions to Dismiss (ECF No. 24) (proposed notice attached as Exhibit 1 to Plaintiffs' Corrected Motion).

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on March 6, 2023, I electronically filed the foregoing documents using the Court's electronic filing system, which will notify all counsel of record authorized to receive such filings.

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